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Title:

CIGARETTE PAPER HAVING HEAT-DEGRADABLE FILLER PARTICLES, AND CIGARETTE COMPRISING A CIGARETTE PAPER WRAPPER HAVING HEAT-DEGRADABLE FILLER PARTICLES

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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AMENDMENT IN ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 13, 2003, the period for response having been extended to December 13, 2003 by the Petition for Extension of Time (one-month) submitted herewith, and the Advisory Action mailed December 8, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: